

Residential Burning Permit

Pewaukee Fire Department
W239 N2242 Pewaukee Rd – Waukesha, WI 53188
Phone# 262-522-2500

Emergency – 911

Date _____ Tax Key # _____
Name _____ Home Phone _____
Home Address _____ Business Phone _____
Burning Address _____ Permit Expires: _____
Issued By _____

Permit Required (1)

(A) No burning shall be permitted unless the owner of the property upon which burning is proposed first obtains a permit, approved by the Pewaukee Fire Chief and under proper safeguards prescribed for and issued only at the City/Village Hall during regular business hours.

(B) Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Ordinance, if the burning of any material, either with or without a permit, intentional or not, results in failure to comply in full with the conditions of a burning permit, or if negligence in supervising and controlling the fire results in the dispatch and/or deployment of firefighting equipment or personal to control or extinguish the fire or to protect life, buildings or adjacent property, in addition to other potential fines and forfeitures, the property owner shall be required to pay all costs and expenses incurred by the City/Village for said fire or emergency call. Said costs and expenses shall be calculated by the City/Village Clerk after consultation with the Fire Chief and will assess the cost of said fire or emergency call against the property as set forth in this section and pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, Section 66.60 (16).

Restrictions on Burning (2)

(A) No person or corporation or their agent may burn garbage (including, but not limited to kitchen and garden waste) fresh cut grass, green grass, green leaves, green brush or any other noncombustible material in the City/Village.

(B) No person or corporation or their agent may burn any material within the public street, shoulders, gutters, storm-water ditches, catch basins or on other public property in the City/Village except as set forth herein.

(C) No person living in a multi-family (3 or more) structure may burn any materials, and corporate owners of such structures in the City/Village may not burn any materials on such premises except as set forth herein.

(D) No person living in a single or two family home may burn home generated combustible material in the City/Village without a permit for such burning issued by the Fire Chief as set forth herein.

(E) No developer or contractor may burn any materials in the City/Village.

Commercial/Industrial Burning Prohibited (3)

No burning permit shall be issued to commercial or industrial businesses nor shall commercial or industrial businesses be allowed to burn in an incinerator or rubbish container.

Prohibited on Public Property (4)

No person shall kindle, start or maintain a fire upon public property within the City/Village except in designated picnic areas in the public parks where cooking fires may be maintained in permanent or portable enclosed grills. An adult person shall be in constant attendance of such "picnic" fire.

Rules for Burning (5)

(A) All burning pursuant to a permit shall be kindled or started no earlier than 7:00am and should be complete extinguished by 10:00pm, unless otherwise specified on the permit. All burning shall be conducted with an adult person named on the permit in constant attendance. The burning of refuse should be in its natural state, (grass, leaves, twigs, brush, branches, and untreated wood). Items that are prohibited to be burned are petroleum products, tires, plastics, insulation, garbage and treated building materials and any other item which may smolder and give off noxious odors.

(B) Burning of permitted materials should be accomplished in a metal, screened receptacle no larger than 55 gallons and approved by the Fire Chief or Fire Inspector.

(C) Burning of piled materials (brush and leaves) shall be confined to an area of at least 50 feet from buildings and trees no larger than 6 feet by 6 feet by 4 feet and flames from such burning may not exceed 8 feet high.

(D) No permit issued under this Ordinance shall create a property right in the person receiving said permit, and said permit shall be limited to and shall be used in strict compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, and shall automatically expire on the date specified on the permit.

(E) Bonfires/Campfires shall be allowed only under constant supervision in a contained burning pit. The actual fire area shall be in an enclosed fire ring of metal or masonry no larger than 5 feet in diameter. Flames from the fire shall be maintained at no higher than 6 to 8 feet. All fires must be completely extinguished by 10:00pm local time.

(F) Only owners of real estate may sign permits. A signed copy of the permit will be filed with the City/Village Clerk.

Owners Signature